



Ohio Revised Code Section 1503.53 Confidentiality.

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(A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, the chief of the division of forestry, an employee of the division of forestry, the supervisors of a soil and water conservation district, an employee of a district, and a contractor of the division or a district shall not disclose either of the following:

(1) Information, including data from geographic information systems and global positioning systems, provided by a person who owns or operates a silvicultural operation that is operated under a timber harvest plan;

(2) Information gathered as a result of an inspection to determine whether the person who owns or operates the operation is in compliance with a timber harvest plan.

(B) The chief or the supervisors of a district may release or disclose information specified in division (A)(1) or (2) of this section to a person or a federal, state, or local agency working in cooperation with the chief or the supervisors in the development of a timber harvest plan or an inspection to determine compliance with such a plan if the chief or supervisors determine that the person or federal, state, or local agency will not subsequently disclose the information to another person.
